GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE ON LAND REFORMS
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up a committee headed by D.C. Wadhwa in 1987 to study the system of Land Reforms;

(b) if so, whether the said Committee has submitted its report; and

(c) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Committee and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL)

(a) to (c) The Planning Commission had set up a one-man Committee headed byProf. D.C. Wadhwa in 1987 to prepare a detailed Status Report with regard to the record of rights in land in all States of the country and to recommend measures for its implementation. It may be noted that the Committee was not asked to study system of land reforms. The Committee submitted a preliminary study titled `Guaranteeing Title to Land` in 1989. This Report was widelycirculated and discussed in different fora. Many suggestions of the Committee contained in the Report which deal with computerization of land records, modernization of survey procedures have already been acted upon by the Central and State Governments.